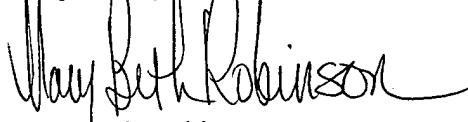


## REMARKS

### The Amendments

All pending claims have been canceled, and new claims 172-220 substituted therefor. The new claims parallel the claims as filed in the preliminary amendment. Claims 172 and 213 have been amended to specify a plurality of particle capture regions. This amendment is supported by the specification at page 2, line 5. It is believed that no fee is due with the submission of this Amendment. If this is incorrect, however, please charge the required fee and any extension of time required to Deposit Account No. 07-1969.

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